Accelerated water supply Programme and Mimimum Needs Programme in Maharashtra

8296. SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR SAM. BHAJIRAO SHDSTDE: WiU the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government of Maharashtra has sought parity in the water supply costs nonms of Acclerated Water Supply Programme and Minimum Needs Programme;

(b) if so, on what grounds; and

(c) what is Government response thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT (DEPARTMENT OF RURAL, DEVELOPMENT) (SHRI UTTAMBHAI PATEL): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) To maintain uniformity in the water supply costs norms of Accelarated Rural Water Supply Programme (ARWSP) and Minimum Needs Pmgramme (MNP).

(c) Powers have been delegated to the States/UT Govemments for approval of the schemes upto the *per capita* cost ceiling as approved under the State Sector Minimum Needs Programme.

Lonar Eclipse

8297. SHRI E. BALANANDAN: WiU the PRIME MLNISTER be pleas-ed to state:

(a) whether it is a flact that the Lunar Eclipse Occurring on April 3-4 1996 which will be visible in India has been shown as invisible in India by the India Meteorological Department in their annuial publication. "The Indian Astronomical Ephemeris for 1995" which created a chaos among the ussrs; ifso; the reasons therefor;

(b) whether it is a fact that the pubUqations of the "Inian Astronomical Ephemeris" and the Rashtriya Panchangs by the India Meteorological Department, now being delayed by about six months, resulting in the non-availability of advance astronomical data to the Panchang makers:

(c) if so, whether any steps have been taken by Govt, for their timely publication; and

(d) how many States have since Pdopted correct system of astronomi cal aaloulations in declaring holidays m their States and what steps are being envisaged by Government to fulfil this objective?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN DEPARTMENTS OF ATOMIC ENERGY AND SPACE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (SHRI BHUVNESH CHATURVEDI): (a) Yes, Sir. This preliminary announcement was made on the basis of an international publication by Her Ma--jesty's Stationery Office, London. This was later found incorrect by India Meteorological Department (IMD) and a corrigendum was immediately circulated amongst the users of Indian Astronomical Ephemeris. As the eclipse is to occur in the year 1996, the details regarding its visibility over Indian will be published in the 1996 edition of Indian Astronomical Ephemeris.

(b) and (c): No, Sir. The "Indian Astronomical Ephemeris" (IAE) for 1995 was published in November, 1994 Astronomical diata to the Panchang makers are made available well on advance on their request. All the thirteen language editions of Rashtriya Panchang have already been pub. lisfied this year.

(d) The dates pf festivals reported in the Indian Astronomical Ephemeris (IAE) are determined on the basis of

correct astronomical data, and in consultation with the Pandits of diff. erent regions of the country, which senre as the basis for holiday declara -tioa *by* the Govt. of India. It is found that daies:of holidays deelared by the State Govts. are in general agreement with the dates *shown* in the Indian Astornomical Ephemris (IAE) except for a.few csees due to local factors.

Technology Development by National/ Regional chenical Laboratwies

8298. SHEI G. Y. KRISHNAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be. pleased to state:

(a) whether National Regionnal CJhe-mical Liaboratories have eveloped technology for mamrfacturing hi-tech organic manuxee (fertilizer) to coun-tei- the ill effects of chranical fertili-zers, if so, what are the connprdien-sive details thereof; and

(b) whether the above technology has since been, transferred to the industry lor commercialisatitjn, and if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF ATOMIC ENER GY AND- SPACE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCEEKCE AND TESCHNOIXKJY (SHRI BHUVNESH CHATURVEDI) da) The National| Regional Chemical Laboratories of the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research under the Ministry of Science and Technology have not developed technology for manufacturing hi-tech organic manures.

(b) Does not (arise.

Technologies Developed by CMR

8299. SHRI G. Y. KRISHNAN: WiU the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

. (a) what are the details of latest Sophisticated technologies developed by CSIR. Laboratories in different products, groupwise;

(b) whether these technologies *have since* been transferred to the industry for commercialization; if so, what are the details thereof*;*

(c) what are the names and details of technologies which have not yet been tranforred *to the* industry for commercialistaion; and

(d) whether the technologies de veloped are import substitution, if so, what are the details thereof, pro duct-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIMS MINISTER'S OFFICE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF ATOMIC ENERGY AND SPACE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (SHRI BHUVNESH CHATURVEDI) (a) and (b) Of the 142 tecimols-gies developed by CSIR Laboratories during the last three years between April 1992 to March, 1995, 99 techno-logies have been licensed for com-mercialisation. The details of the technologies and the number of parties ta whom these have been transferred along with their produc. tion sta'usi are givten in Annexure-I.

(See Appendix 173, annexure No.—)

(c) Details of the 43 technologies *along* with reasons for their non-transfer to industry have been indicated in Anncxurere-II *{See* Appendix .175, annexure No. 188)

(d).59 technotogieg relate to im. port- substitution products, the de tails of whieh are indicated in An-nexiir, I & IT,